



THE GREAT EASTERN SHIPPING COMPANY LIMITED

G.E. Shipping Adopts ISPS Code

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Maritime security being an integral part of International Maritime Organisation's (IMO) responsibilities, it has made adoption of International Ship and Port facility Security (ISPS) Code mandatory from July 1, 2004.

The purpose of the Code is to provide a standardized, consistent framework for evaluating risk, enabling governments to take appropriate steps to deal with threats pertaining to ships and port facilities. For ships, these requirements include, preparation and implementation of ship security plans, training of ship security officers & company security officers, and installation of onboard security equipment.

GE Shipping's fleet of 39 ships viz. 29 tankers and 10 dry bulk carriers is ISPS compliant much before the adoption of Code becomes mandatory.

Given the time frame, the implementation of the code well within the stipulated time would not have been possible without the guidance and cooperation extended by the concerned departments of the Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) and the Recognized Security Organization (RSO) - Indian Register of Shipping (IRS).